**Roman Banquet**

**Objective:** To understand the Romans better by experiencing life as a wealthy Roman (OR) experiencing life as a Roman slave.

**Requirements**:

1. Food: Cook and bring in a dish of Roman food using an authentic Roman recipe. You may use the websites:

<http://www.pbs.org/wgbh/nova/lostempires/roman/recipes.html>

<http://www.press.uchicago.edu/Misc/Chicago/233472.html>

<http://www.cs.cmu.edu/~mjw/recipes/ethnic/historical/ant-rom-coll.html>

or pick up a photocopied recipe in class.

1. Clothing: Create a toga or *tunica* in class on Friday May 1. Wear your outfit to the banquet. Other requirements:
   1. Sandals (slaves may go barefoot)
   2. Jewelry
   3. Girls: hair done up
2. Bring on banquet day:
   1. Towel to sit on & pillow (we will recline like the Romans did)
   2. Cloth napkin
3. Slaves: you may earn some extra credit by being a *servus*. Wear a tunic, not a toga, and a simple belt. Help set up the banquet and serve the *convivae*.

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**Roman Banquet Project: Test Grade**

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|  | **Clothing: Authenticity**  **20%** | **Clothing & Accessories: Effort**  **15%** | **Food: Authenticity & Effort**  **35%** | **Overall Effort & Enthusiasm**  **30%** |
| A | Your clothing is authentically Roman in material and design | You put extra effort to look Roman with your clothing, hair, and accessories. | You put in a high level of effort to make your food authentically Roman and also tasty. | You put in extra effort to make this day enjoyable and authentically Roman. |
| B | Your clothing is mostly authentic and looks “Roman.” | Your clothing shows good effort and you have some accessories | Your food shows good effort on your part | You put good effort into this day and were enthusiastic. |
| C | Your clothing meets the requirements but may look authentic. | You have the required dress but you don’t put in extra effort to look authentic. | Your food is made from a Roman recipe. | You showed up. |
| D | Your clothing is not authentic enough or doesn’t meet requirements. | The effort you put into your outfit is below what is expected. | Your food is not made from a Roman recipe. | You took away from the Romanness of the experience. |

**Cīvēs**: Toga is worn. Toga is made of white cloth. Toga is draped correctly. Toga is long enough. Sandals are worn. A tunic or T-shirt may be worn underneath the toga. Jewelry may be worn.

**Servī**: Tunic is worn. Tunic is made from plain cloth. Tunic is constructed correctly and is an appropriate length. Sandals or no shoes are worn.

**Feminae**: Stola is worn. Stola is made from plain cloth. Stola is floor-length and constructed correctly. Sandals are worn. A tunic or T-shirt may be worn under the stola. Decorative pins may hold stola at shoulders. Belt is worn. Jewelry is worn. Hair is done up. Cloak (palla) may also be worn.